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| Title | METHOD FOR SOFT-PROGRAMMING AN ELECTRICALLY ERASABLE NONVOLATILE MEMORY DEVICE, AND AN ELECTRICALLY ERASABLE NONVOLATILE MEMORY DEVICE IMPLEMENTING THE SOFT-PROGRAMMING METHOD |
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| Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. | Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary) | | |
| 3. Specification [Total Pages 19] | a. Computer Readable Form (CRF) | | |
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| or a computer program listing appendix | 9. Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s)) | | |
| - Background of the Invention | 10. 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement Power of | | |
| - Brief Summary of the Invention | (when there is an assignee) Attorney | | |
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| - Detailed Description | 12. Information Disclosure Copies of IDS | | |
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| the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b). | 17. U Other: _ | | |
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